

In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 11, as follows:

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Alternately, the first active subset 500 can be the five disk drives 30 in the second row 58S of the first rail assembly 54 and the second active subset 502 can be the five disk drives 30 in the third row 58T of the first rail assembly 54. In this example, the disk drives 30 in the first row 58F of the first rail assembly 54 and all of the disk drives 30 in the second rail assembly 56 are in the standby mode during data transfer.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 32, as follows:

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In one embodiment of the present invention, each drive pack 62 is a field replaceable unit or FRU. In this embodiment, no attempt is made to replace individual drives in the field; if a single drive fails the entire drive pack is swapped out and returned to a service center where the good drives can be salvaged and placed back in the pool of spare service parts. It is important to note that in the current implementation, RAID (Redundant Array of Independent Disks) style parity protection is computed across each individual active subset 500, 502. Whereas RAID can tolerate the loss of a single drive's data and reconstruct it from the stored parity, RAID cannot tolerate or recover data if two or more disks fail in the same RAID set. Because of this, the system does not have members of the same active subset 500 at different positions along the Z-axis in the same drive pack (although they may be at different positions ~~along~~ along the Z-axis in different drive packs).